

Legislative Testimony
Public Health Committee
H.B. No 5326 - An act concerning compassionate aid in dying for terminally ill patients
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Members of the Public Health Committee,

My name is Shanshan Mou and I am a senior at St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol. I am writing this letter in opposition to the proposed bill H.B. No 5326 - An act concerning compassionate aid in dying for terminally ill patients.

As what we have learned in region class, eligibility is based on a six-month life expectancy. But many doctors agree these estimates are often wrong. Patients who feel the deepest depression might eventually choose to end their life and give up on treatment even they are still treatable. Therefore, since life is sacred, HB 3326 is a recipe for elder abuse and it would go against people's religious beliefs. And other countries that have legalized this have opened the door to even more extreme practices, like child euthanasia. So I don't support this Bill for whatever reason which against human rights to live.

Thank you.

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